

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 3 with the following paragraph:

The present invention ~~provides~~ combines elements of betting on sporting event ~~events~~ to reap a reward (without an actual wager) with a lottery in which the sporting event replaces the drawing of winning numbers to determine the winning of prizes.

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 11 with the following paragraph:

Figure 2 shows the back side of the game card 100 in accordance with the present invention. This side of the card 100 lists a prize schedule 201 that applies to the game. As can be seen in **Figure 2**, as the number of matching combined scores increases, so does the prize. For example, if three of the games in list 102 match their respective predicted combined scores in list 103, the owner of the card 100 wins \$250. If the number of matching combined scores is four, the owner of the card 100 wins \$25,000. The card 100 might also specify the ~~selling~~ distributing location 202 of the card, which might serve as the prize redemption center in the case of small prizes.

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 8 with the following paragraph:

Once the sports contests and their respective outcomes (e.g., final combined scores) have been selected for the game card, the system determines if this particular combination has already been generated for another game card (step 305). This may or may not be allowed depending on how the promotional game of chance is structured. Depending on the number of game cards and the prize schedule, the game of chance might require that each game card be unique, which decreases the potential total payout. Therefore, if the randomly selected contests and associated outcomes for the game card in question matches another game card in the database, the system has to determine if this is allowed (step 306). If the game of chance requires that each game card be unique, the system will return to step 304 and randomly generate another set of final outcomes for the selected contests. Alternatively, the administrative rules might only allow a maximum number of matches, and if the game card in question exceeds that maximum, the system will go back to step 304 and generate another set of scores.

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 8 with the following paragraph:

~~The~~ If the game card in question does not match another game card already in the system, or
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if such a match is allowed by the administrative rules, then the selected combination of sports contests/final outcomes will be stored in a database (step 307). The system then determines if more cards need to be created for this specific game of chance (step 308). If so, the process returns to step 302. If the specified number of game card has been reached, the process ends.

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